

Ross Cadwell, 89

Feb. 3, 1915 - Aug. 4, 2004

DENISON – Ross Willard, son of Lou and Blanche (Nellis) Cadwell, was born Feb. 3, 1915, on a farm in Shelby County. He attended country school near his home and attended high school in Manilla, where he lettered in track and participated on other athletic teams. He graduated with the class of 1934. After completing his formal education, he farmed with his family near Botna.

Dec. 24, 1942, Ross married Evelyn Davis at Papillion, NE. Three daughters were born to this union. They lived southeast of Manilla until 1948 when they moved near Buck Grove. In 1957, they purchased a farm near Botna owned by Evelyn's parents. In 1966, Ross and Evelyn purchased a farm west of Manilla where they lived until 1994 when they retired and moved to Denison. Even though Ross had their land in farm programs, he kept some livestock. He was a member of the United Church of Manilla. He had a number of health problems in the later years of his life and suffered a catastrophic stroke about a week before his death Aug. 4, 2004, at Creighton University Medical Center, Omaha, NE, at age 89 years, six months and one day.

Preceding Ross in death were his parents; two brothers, Rae and Robert Cadwell; sister, Edith (LeRoy) Weible and Letha Abel; and two sisters-in-law, Ermal (Harold) Joens and Gladys (Marvin) Linde. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Cadwell of Denison; three daughters, Anne Stevens of Des Moines; Rosemary (Craig) Steinbeck of Everly and Nancy (Chris) Stickler of Everly; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers, Hal Cadwell (Darlene) of Manning and Vryl Cadwell (Edith) of Manilla; brother-in-law, Paul Abel of Avoca; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 9, 2004, at the Ohde Funeral Home in Manilla, with Rev. John Kult of the United Church of Manilla officiating. Burial was in the Nishnabotna Cemetery near Manilla. Honorary casket bearers were his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Melissa Gutherie, Kelli Lorenzen, Lance Gutherie, John Mesenbrink, Christopher Stickler, Raegan Lorenzen, Anna-Kathryn Gutherie, Alison Otto, Jeffry Lorenzen and Lucas Lorenzen. Casket bearers were Bob Lohrmann, Wesley Ahrenholtz, Ron Lohrmann, Willis Ahrenholtz, Eric Mesenbrink and Jason Lorenzen.